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Media Advisory

Detroit VA Healthcare System Observes Patriots' Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance

(*Detroit*) The Detroit VA Healthcare System will join millions around the nation on Wednesday, September 11, 2013, in observing Patriots' Day and the National Day of Service and Remembrance.

In the medical center atrium, Kelsey Rose, a young singer, dancer and songwriter, will perform for staff, Veterans and their families, Noon – 1:00 p.m. The performance will be broadcast live on Armed Forces Radio Network (AFRN). Rose is a nationally known performer who has performed hundreds of shows throughout her career, including the Ford Field Grand Opening. The September 11th performance will be heard in more than 175 countries and on more than 1,000 radio stations, worldwide.

Also on September 11th, two Veterans will benefit from Ford Motor Company's Eighth Annual Ford Global Week of Caring. Volunteers from Ford will assist in rebuilding homes for two Detroit-area Veterans in need. These are just two projects that more than 10,000 members of the Ford Volunteer Corps will take on.

For information on both of these events, please contact Detroit VA Healthcare System Public Affairs at 313-576-3340 or alysse.mengason@va.gov.

Since 1939, the Detroit VAMC has been improving the health of the men and women who have so proudly served our nation. In 1996, the medical center moved from Allen Park, Michigan to the current location in Detroit. The John D. Dingell VAMC located in Detroit, Michigan is one of the newest VA facilities in the country. We consider it our privilege to serve the health care needs of our Veterans. Services are available to more than 330,000 Veterans living in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, and St. Clair counties. This population represents approximately forty-four percent of the Veteran population in the lower peninsula of Michigan. For more information, visit http://www.detroit.va.gov.